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SUBJECT: ZAYYAT' S REPORTED STATEMENT THAT US DOES NOT
AGREE WITH EGYPTIAN PROPOSAL TO DISCUSS ME
QUESTION IN UN

1. FBIS MIDDLE EAST REVIEW FOR APRIL 24, M241235, REPORTS THAT
CAIRO RADIO CITED FONMIN ZAYYAT AS STATING THAT ALL UNSC
MEMBERS, WITH EXCEPTION OF US, HAVE APPROVED EGYPT' S PROPOSAL
THAT ME QUESTION BE DISCUSSED AT UN.

2. CAIRO PRESS HAS CONFLICTING REPORTS OF ZAYYAT' S STATEMENT,
DELIVERED UPON HIS RETURN TO CAIRO APRIL 23. AHAM SAYS
ZAYYAT STATED THAT " DURING THE DISCUSSION OF ISRAEL' S CRIME,
ALL OF THESE STATES WERE IN AGREEMENT WITH THE VOTING TO
CONDEMN ISRAEL AND NOT TO PROVIDE ANY MILITARY OR ECONOMIC
AID TO HER, EXCEPT THE US WHICH SPOKE ABOUT ' BALANCE.'
THE WORD BALANCE IN AMERICA' S VIEW
MEANS PLACING THE AGGRESSOR AND THE VICTIM ON EQUAL FOOTING."

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3. AKHBAR SAYS ZAYYAT STATED THAT " IT WAS EXTREMELY CLEAR THAT ALL SC MEMBERS AGREED TO THE EGYPTIAN PROPOSAL CONCERNING THE REQUEST TO CONVENE THE SECURITY COUNCIL TO DEBATE THE MIDDLE EAST, EXCEPT THE UNITED STATES. (THE DEBATE WILL OCCUR) AFTER THE SECGEN PREPARES A DETAILED REPORT IN WHICH DEVELOPMENTS SINCE 1967 WILL BE STUDIED IN DEPTH." GUMHURIYYA' S REPORT IS SIMILAR TO AKHBAR' S, I. E. THAT ALL SC MEMBERS AGREED TO EGYPTIAN PROPOSAL FOR FULL- DRESS ME DEBATE, EXCEPT FOR US.

4. COMMENT: ONE OF ZAYYAT' S AIDES HAS INFORMED US THAT, PRESS REPORTING TO CONTRARY, ZAYYAT ACTUALLY TOLD REPORTERS ON HIS RETURN THAT US " HAD NO FORMAL OBJECTION" TO EGYPTIAN PROPOSAL FOR UN DEBATE ON ME ISSUE IN MAY.
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